

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY**  
**MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE**

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wisconsin Statutes, a regular meeting of the Brown County **Mental Health Subcommittee** was held on Thursday, June 03, 2021 in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

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**Members Present:** County Board Supervisor Megan Borchardt, County Board Supervisor Devon Coenen, County Board Supervisor Randy Schultz, Guy Zima  
**Excused:** Michael Roberts, Eric Hoyer & Bree Decker  
**Others Present:** Erik Pritzl, Jenny Hoffman

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**I. Call to Order.**

The meeting was called to order by acting Chair Megan Borchardt at 3:10 p.m.

**II. Approve/Modify Agenda.**

**Motion made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Guy Zima to approve agenda. Vote taken.**  
**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**III. Approve/Modify minutes of January 15, 2020.**

**Motion made by Guy Zima, seconded by Supervisor Schultz to approve the minutes of April 01, 2021. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Comments from the public. None.**

**1. Report and Discussion re: Spending of the 2021 \$1.4 million Mental Health dollars to date.**

Report given by Director Erik Pritzl. He reviewed 2021 spending, noted we have spent \$257,000 of the \$277,000 thus far. He stated that when he went back and clarified that 96% of the 2020 amount budgeted. He stated that there was good utilization except by detoxification for this year given Covid 19 and hospital usage.

**Motion by Guy Zima, seconded by Supervisor Coenen to receive and place on file. Vote taken.**  
**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2. Discussion re: Behavioral Health Items in the Governor's Proposed 2021-2023 Budget.**

Director Erik Pritzl gave an overview of proposed items and where the budget is thus far. Supervisor Borchardt asked about any new funding/grant sources. Director Pritzl explained the process and mentioned some that he was aware of. He will report as soon as possible any confirmed amounts.

**Motion by Guy Zima, seconded by Supervisor Schultz to receive and place on file. Vote taken.**  
**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. Discussion re: 2022 budget and possible new positions.**

Director Erik Pritzl stressed that case management is a high area of interest. Children's long-term support is also in need. Supervisor Borchardt inquired about the numbers on the waitlist, and if we were working with area partners. Director Pritzl gave some rough numbers but would have a clinician numbers report at our August meeting.

**Motion by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Guy Zima to hold until the next meeting. Vote taken.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4. Projects Supported by half-percent sales tax.**

**Motion by Supervisor Coenen, seconded by Supervisor Schultz to take 4 a & b as one. Vote taken.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- a) **Crisis Assessment Center Update:** Built and open. All staff moved and went smoothly. Still trying to fill the APNP position, still in interview process. Guy Zima questioned the need for an APNP vs. an RN or other nurse position. Director Pritzl touched on the need for a provider that could write the needed prescriptions. He mentioned that our process is cutting edge - that the codes are not even written for the process that we use. The state is looking at Brown County as a model. Children's beds were discussed. We are sending children out of the county. It was mentioned by Director Pritzl to invite Bellin to our August meeting to discuss the concern with not being able to keep Brown County children in the county. Possible that staffing could be the issue.
- b) **Discussion-Ideas for 2022/2023 sales tax or mental health:** Director Pritzl informed that the state does not want Lincoln Hills to be used. Brown County is in negotiations with the state for a proposed new facility. Nursing home expansion was discussed. The state decides who gets beds. Currently this is not a need. The creation of a secured/locked area was discussed as more of a need.

**Motion by Guy Zima, seconded by Supervisor Schultz to receive and place on file. Vote taken.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. Detoxification**

Director Pritzl informed that Medicaid now covers residential substance abuse.

**Motion by Guy Zima, seconded by Supervisor Coenen to receive and place on file. Vote taken.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6. Outreach Efforts**

Supervisor Borchardt asked if we are currently working with community partners for residential treatment. Director Pritzl mentioned the partners we are currently working with. We try to match the needs with the correct partner. He also mentioned an outreach booth at the farmers market.

**Motion by Guy Zima, seconded by Supervisor Borchardt to receive and place on file. Vote taken.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. Future Agenda Items if any**

Supervisor Schultz would like EM1 committee's agenda included in our meeting packets and to invite to the August meeting. Guy Zima would like an invite sent to Bellin or any other organization that would be of service to attend our August meeting. Mr. Zima would like another look at Aspiro. Supervisor Borchardt suggested putting in a communication to the Health and Human Services Committee about Aspiro.

**Motion by Supervisor Coenen, seconded by Supervisor Zima to receive and place on file. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8. Such other matters as authorized by law.**

Next meeting set for August 05, 2021 @ 3:00 pm.

**9. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 4:35pm

**Motion made by Guy Zima, seconded by Supervisor Schultz to adjourn. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Respectfully submitted,

Devon Coenen, Secretary